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The distinguishing feature of the celebration at Quincy, on the fourth, was the unveiling of a bronze statue of the late Ex-Gov. John Wood, the first white settler of that city. The oration was delivered by Hon. Richard J. Oglesby, who gave an eloquent and interesting sketch of the sturdy old patriot.

MYRA CLARK GAINES is now called "the terror of New Orleans." She has been fighting the city through the federal courts for about fifty-seven years—that is, ever since she was twenty years of age—and has finally obtained a judgment, but as the verdict will go before the supreme court for review, she will have to wait several years longer before she can come into the possession of her millions.

The New York Sun has turned prophet. It predicts the election of Hoadley in Ohio by a "sufficient majority," and says: "All the present signs justify the opinion that the elections this fall will confirm those of last year, though without a tidal wave to give sweeping majorities. The people will repeat calmly their verdict of intense resentment in 1882 against the outrages of the Republican party." There is no immediate occasion for alarm, however, until the votes are counted.

The Illinois State Zeitung evidently thinks that the Germans of Ohio ought to think themselves fortunate in getting off so easily. The Scott law fixes a maximum rate for Meissen, \$100 for beer and wine, \$200 a year for all kinds of liquor. These figures are below the minimum in this state, and many localities fix the license much higher than the Harper bill requires, and make no discrimination in favor of mild drinks. If the Germans of Ohio do not know when they are well off, they may get themselves into trouble. That is a free translation of Mr. Hesing's advice germane to the Scott law and the Ohio campaign.

The National Anti-Monopoly party starts out with a row. Denis Kearney's economical programme does not meet with the approval so distinguished a publicist had a right to expect at the hands of the friends of the labor cause. They are inclined to believe that his proposed use of increased transportation charges as a means of elevating human society in general arises from the fact that he is a paid agent of the Monopolists. His plan, we are forced to infer, will not be adopted there; and the world is all at sea again with respect to the regulation of wages. It will have to keep on for awhile longer with natural regulation of demand and supply.

LET IRWIN'S FOUNTAIN FLOW.

Water and Air Free for All—Vox Populi Vox Dei.

EX-ROSES REPUBLICAN:—I would suggest that our worthy aldermanic legislators reconsider the vote doleful John Irwin's free gift water for the millions a nuisance and exhibit their appreciation of it by establishing at least five similar ones at the most public points, to be run at the expense of the city during the heated season. Further let it be ordered that the supply of water be shut off by the night police at the hour the saloons are closed by law. Listen what Paul Denton says about health giving water, and if you can produce a single argument in favor of any intoxicating beverage, give it to the world. Mr. Denton, a Methodist preacher, advertised barbecue with better liquor than is usually furnished. When the people assembled a desperado in the crowd who was loaded to the gunwales with nickel whisky and the drippings of beer kegs cried out, "Mr. Paul Denton your reverence has lied. Your barbecue is grand, but where is the liquor?" "There," answered the missioner, in tones of thunder, and pointing his long, bony finger at the double matchless spring crashing up in two strong columns with a sound like a shout of joy from the bosom of the earth. "There," he repeated with a look terrible as lightning, while his enemy actually trembled at his feet.

There is the liquor which God the eternal brews for all his children. Not in the simmering still, over smoky fires choked with poisonous gases and surrounded with the stench of sickening odors and rank corruption doth our Father in Heaven prepare this precious essence of life—pure, cold water. But in the glade and grassy dell where the deer wander and the child loves to play, there God brews it; and down, down away in the deepest valleys where the fountains murmur and the rills sing; and high up on the mountain tops where the naked granite glitters like gold in the sun, where the storms crash; and out on the wild, wild sea, where the hurricanes howl music, and the big waves are in chace, sweeping the marsh of God—there he brews it, the beverage of life, health giving water. And everywhere it is a thing of beauty, glistening in the dew drop, singing in the summer rain, shining in the ice gem till they seem turned to living jewels spreading a golden veil over the setting sun or a white gaze around the midnight moon; spouting from the cataract, sleeping in the glacial dreams, drowsing in the shower, folding its bright curtain soft around the wintry world, and wearing the pale, powdered iris, the seraph's zone of the air, whose warp is in the rain drops of the earth, and whose woe is in the sunbeam of heaven, all checked over with the celestial flowers of the mystic hand of retribution—that blessed life water. No poison bubbles on the brink, its foam

brings not madness and murder; no blood stains its liquid glass; pure, widow and starving children weep not human tears in its depths. Speak, my friend, do you not say, "Is it not for the demon drink alcohol? A shout like the roar of the tempest answered "No."

EDUCATIONAL.

Some Points About the Institute Bill of Interest to All Teachers.

The Institute bill, which became a law July 1st, reads as follows:

The county superintendent shall in all cases, require the payment of a fee of one dollar from every teacher for examination for a teaching certificate; and for removal of such a certificate, he shall require the payment of a fee of one dollar. All money so received, and the registration fees hereinbefore provided for, he shall transmit monthly to the county treasurer, to be by him held and designated as the institute fund, and with the same, the county superintendent shall give the treasurer a list of the names of the persons paying such fees. Said fund shall be paid out by the county treasurer, only upon the receipt of the county superintendent, and only to defray the expenses of the teachers' institutes, which the county superintendent is by this section authorized to hold. The county superintendent shall take vouchers for all payments made out of the institute fund, and he shall render an account of such disbursements with vouchers for the same to the county board at their regular meeting in September, annually. The county superintendent shall hold, annually, a teachers' institute, continuing in session not less than five days, for the instruction of teachers and those who may desire to become teachers, and with the concurrence of the State Superintendent of Public Instruction, procure such assistance as may be necessary to conduct the same at such time as the schools in the county are generally closed: Provided, that the two or more adjoining counties may hold an institute together. At every such institute, instruction shall be free to all teachers, and the expenses of the franchise, all who have ever practiced polygamy at all—everyone who had lived and cohabited with more than one living and undivided woman as his wife. If this construction had not been put upon the law when the date for registration arrived the polygamists would have put away all but one wife, and appear in the list of names. When I left we received returns from all the polling places, and had appointed judges, three to each precinct, in all the twenty-four counties, or between 500 or 600 in all. The next Legislature must be elected by monogamists, and none of its members can, under the law, be polygamists, under the above construction of the meaning of the word in the Edmunds Bill.

We have personally heard from many of the citizens of St. George and Mohave, though, of course, the subject of much criticism, the latter claiming that the law was an infringement upon their territorial and personal rights, and that we had not enforced the law properly anyhow, and the exponents of the former averring that the law was of no use—not stringent enough. Moderate men say, "Have patience; let the Legislature enact the needed law. If it doesn't the Mormons will have a valid grievance to lay before the liberal minds of the country." I do not wish to be quoted as giving any opinion in the matter, I merely say that the August election is the important one."

It will be noticed that the above does not conflict with our annual institute, as above fixed. A two weeks' session will be held, as already announced.

About sixty teachers have hired for the fall and winter term. The wages seem to be about the same as last year.

Boards of directors are still eager for good teachers, and very reluctantly giving medium or indifferent ones.

Let the teachers who did not give satisfaction step down and out. The people will be harder to please this winter than ever before. The people are unwilling to pay taxes for poor schools.

And still the book agent mixes the texts and more, thus putting almost insurmountable obstacles in the way of a better classification and a better grading in our rural schools. If directors and school officers would but study this matter a little they would refuse to introduce new books until a complete uniformity can be effected. If the school boards will not be in too much hurry a uniformity can soon be brought about without scarcely any cost. Book publishers will cheerfully pay the people the amount which they pay their agents for introducing new books. They pay agents from \$1.00 to \$3.00 per year for driving over the county and mixing up our texts, and if this be sent from the exchange price the people would get their uniformity free of cost. Why pay the agent this in an unfortunate exchange price? If agents always put in better books than those there might be some excuse for this folly; but they only do this in special cases. No publishing firm in existence will uniformly better books in the market than other firms. Let us select the best from all the firms, banish the agent from our county and get our books free of exchange. The people are entitled to all that the agent gets and ought not to pay a premium on marking this confusion worse and worse.

Death Caused by a Blow.

JEROMEVILLE, Ind., July 6.—A fatal affray occurred at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning at Paradise Garden, owned by a well-known German, 20 years of age, and being the victim, Kraft, had been at the place given by the German Knights of St. George, and during the afternoon and night had absorbed a good deal of beer. After midnight he became quarreling with the other inmates he got into a difficulty with Gottlieb Wagner and Jacob Etzel, and was struck twice on the left side of the head. The injured man was taken to his home in the city, and yesterday morning, at 7 o'clock, he was found dead in his bed. A post mortem examination revealed a hole in the skull an inch in diameter, driving the bone into the brain. The boy was a tramp, and had no money, but he had a revolver, and when he was shot he had a bullet in his pocket. The gun was found in the pocket of his coat. The boy was a tramp, and had no money, but he had a revolver, and when he was shot he had a bullet in his pocket. The gun was found in the pocket of his coat.

Deserters Escaped from Prison.

OMAHA, Neb., July 6.—At an early hour yesterday morning eleven military prisoners made their escape from the guard house at Fort Omaha, and up to this time but three have been captured. The men dug a tunnel out under the foundation wall, and before leaving buried and sealed the sentry to prevent him from giving an alarm. Their flight was not discovered until two hours later, when the relief guard came on duty, and by that time the sentry was speechless and helpless from the rough treatment he received. The men were all deserters who had been tried and convicted, and were under sentence of confinement in the military prison at Fort Leavenworth for terms ranging from two to ten years.

Died of Intoxication.

LITCHFIELD, Ill., July 6.—Ed. Morgan, a farm hand working for Mr. Cushing, five miles west of this place, was found yesterday morning about 2 o'clock in a lane one and a half miles northeast of here. He was intoxicated, and it is supposed that while he was on his way home last night he fell down and died from the effects of it. The coroner's jury returned a verdict that he died from the effects of heat and whisky. His remains were interred in Elmwood cemetery this morning.

The Crops.

SCHAFF, Ill., July 6.—The wheat harvest is nearly over, and the yield has probably been above that expected. The weather throughout, except the two days past, has been cool and pleasant for the seed to ripen. Yesterday the thermometer registered 70°. The grain ripened, and gave promise of a fair crop. The wheat looks first rate, and so with all other field crops, so that the partial failure of wheat will not be seriously felt.

Result of a Drunken Fight.

OMAHA, Neb., July 6.—About 4 o'clock yesterday morning Edward Sheard and Fred Wright, who had been on a Fourth of July trip together, got into a quarrel which ended in Wright being fatally stabbed in the abdomen.

A Picnic for Everybody.

Will live to this day until the season is at a close, sell all my Millinery Goods, Notions and ladies' and children's Furnishing Goods at net cost. This will give everybody a chance to buy goods in my line cheap. My goods are all new, and trimmed up by a first-class trimmer from Chicago, who we have engaged for the next thirty days. Please call and see our stock and prices. MRS. K. EINSTEIN, July 2-5d

Popular Excursion to St. Paul.

The Illinois Central railroad will run one of their popular excursions to St. Paul, Minnesota, leaving Decatur at 6 a.m. Wednesday, July 11, 1882. Fare for the round trip only \$16. Return tickets good for thirty days. Sleeping cars and coaches run through from Centralia, Ill., to St. Paul without change. Application for sleeping car berths should be made to the undersigned at Manchester, Ill., or before July 7. Baggage checked through. Train will arrive at St. Paul about 7:40 a.m. July 12. Reader, if you would attend the "Assembly" at White Bear Lake, near St. Paul, visit the wonderful falls of St. Anthony, the "laughing waters of Minnesota, the celebrated and beautiful Lake Minnetonka or take a trip to Bismarck, the "new capital" of Dakota, this excursion offers not only the greatest possible comfort but the lowest possible rate.

J. F. MARRY,
General Western Passenger Agent.

June 23-2d

Go to Dr. Thomas S. Hopkins to get your dental work done. Cox. Main and Water streets, Decatur, Ill. 21st

Kid Gloves.

A large line of the very latest shades of Tan and Terra Cotta just arrived at John Irwin's White Front.

April 13-d

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Retail More Goods than Any House in the United States According to Population.

The volume of their business equals that of six ordinary houses with only about one-third the expenses these six houses would aggregate.

Besides the money saved by purchasing in large quantities and from first hands, in an item of very considerable magnitude, and taken all together, enables Linn & Scruggs to sell their goods at prices worthy the consideration of every intelligent buyer.

Messrs. Linn & Scruggs Offer

Special Bargains in Black and Colored SILKS and SATINS, American and Foreign DRESS GOODS, LACES and EMBROIDERIES, LACE and LINEN COLLARS and CUFFS, SILK and LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS, HOSIERY, GLOVES and

CORSETS.

Ribbons, Dress Trimmings, Umbrellas; Fans and PARASOLS.

LADIES' AND GENTS' UNDERWEAR, the HERCULES FINE WHITE SHIRTS, POCKET BOOKS, SATCHELS, TRUNKS, and a general assortment of

Gents' Furnishing Goods.

CASSIMERES, COTTONADES, JEANS, FLANNELS, YARNS, TICKINGS, TABLE LINENS, TOWELINGS, and Housekeeping Goods of every description.

Cloaks, Shawls and Dusters.

An Elegant Assortment of

CARPETS,

LACE CURTAINS, OIL CLOTHS, MATTINGS, UPHOLSTERY GOODS,

WALL-PAPER,

And Window Materials in great variety.

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Are our Competitors as well as our Patrons, strange to say, over the same fact.

They cannot comprehend how we can sell such GOOD CLOTHING for such small amounts as

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Who expect to profit in future by what he sells to-day, is FLEURY.

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To give the utmost value for the least money, is the aim of FLEURY.

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Every garment is examined before being offered for sale by FLEURY.

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Courteous attention to visitors and purchasers by FLEURY.

FLEURY has no better advertisement than a pleased customer.

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FLEURY draws your attention to his Large Stock of Furnishing Goods.

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FLEURY BARGAINS

IN THE

One Price Clothing House,

WHERE ALL PEOPLE ARE TREATED ALIKE,
Corner of Old Square and Merchant Street, by

FLEURY, Manager.

June 18, 1883—d&wtf

The Daily Republican.

TERMS.
Per week, payable to Carrier, 15 Cts.
One year, in advance, 37.00
Six Months, " 30.00
Three Months, " 27.00

FRIDAY EVENING, JULY 5, 1883.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

WALK in and see the Novelty Baby Carriages at

E. D. BARTHOLOMEW & CO.'S.

Get a CHEAP CHARLEY puzzle.

CIRCUS to-night.

The circuit court was in session 98 days.

COUNCIL meeting this evening, also a circus.

WILSON BROS' White Dress Shirts, at B. Stine's. June 27-d&wtf

The Methodist church pupils will be filled by strangers on Sunday.

Last evening the Presbyterian church social was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Warren.

Another invoice of Wilson Bros' Peeling Shirts just received at John Irwin's White Front, P. O. block. April 13.

The Decatur Gun Club engaged in another pistol shot yesterday. There were seven matches on the 4th at the park.

CHASE, Emerson, and Hallett and Davis Pianos, at the Temple of Music, 20 Merchant street. June 29-d&wtf

Some rivalry exists between the segments of the local military companies as to their proficiency in drilling. The competition will do no harm.

FERGUSON & DILLEHUNT will deliver gasoline in five gallon lots. April 20-d&wtf

It looks a little odd to see a street car gliding up and down Water street, but the novelty will soon wear off. The cars will be run to and from Greenwood cemetery on Sundays for the accommodation of that section of the public who have no private equipages; and those who want to visit the city of the dead and don't care to hitch up their horses can also ride in the cars at a nickel a trip one way.

J. W. TYLER, south side city park, offers special bargains in different styles of harness made by him.

It took one day for the board of trade men to get over the Fourth. Those follows in Chicago must have mixed their drinks.

Buy your gasoline of Ferguson & Dillehunt, No. 13 Water St. April 20-d&wtf

CHARLEY LAUX is pining for the day to come when he can occupy the newly fitted up office at the St. Nicholas hotel. The work is progressing rapidly. It's a big job and takes time.

SOON Niedermeyer will have a meat market near his grocery store on the mound, and all necessary family supplies may be had without coming down town for them.

CALL on A. R. Barnes at No. 81 North Water street, for fresh fish and dressed poultry. Mr. Barnes will deliver fish and poultry to any part of the city. Orders sent by telephone to John Zeller's meat market will receive prompt attention 25-d&wtf

PRESIDENT PRIEST has engaged two new cars for his street car line, and he is now at work constructing an extra switch in front of the office of the Decatur Tack Line Co. in order that three or more cars may be operated on the line and better time be made. This is business. There's nothing like a healthy competition to keep matters booming, in which case the public is generally benefited. The cars on the rival lines are now making steady and regular trips to and from the Union depot, and parties wishing to ride don't have to wait very long for a car to come along.

GIVE D. F. Hamsler a trial when you have a broken vehicle you want fixed up in proper shape.

One of the girls arrested and fined \$25 for being an inmate of the Taylor house of ill repute, is doing servant work in a family to satisfy the judgment standing against her. Women are not put on the chain gauge.

THE popular "Blower" hand made, clear Havana "filler, five cent cigar, is made by Keek & Weigand, East Eldorado street, who also manufacture the famous "10'er" and "Keystone" cigars. Feb 20-d&wtf

The crowd of city and country folk began to assemble on the streets early this forenoon to see the circus parade.

GAZEE UNDERSHIRTS, at Stine's. June 27-d&wtf

ALWAYS call for Schroeder's celebrated Bohemian cigars. Sold at a nickel each by all leading dealers in the city.

DR. SPARKS has removed his office from North Main street, and now occupies an office over J. Millikan & Co.'s bank. His residence is on North Water street, one door south of Elder Buck's residence.

If you want mill feed, corn or oats, you can be supplied at Shabbagor's. Dec. 18-d&wtf

JOHN HERMAN, Chicago, Ill., says: "I have used four bottles of Brown's Iron bitters and find it to be superior to any tonic I have ever used." 23

SURG at Pope & Bro's in opera block for fresh vegetables & family groceries.

In company with Hon. E. O. Smith, the proprietor, a REPUBLICAN reporter viewed several of the new scenes that have been painted for the enlarged opera house by Artist Graham, assisted by Mr. Young. The scenes are strikingly fresh and beautiful. The one finished on the 4th is an enchanting garden scene, with a playing fountain in the midst of a lake, and surrounded by tropical plants and flowers, with a castle in the distance. Mr. Graham is now at work on a street scene, which he says will be one of the finest of the large collection. It will represent a large cathedral standing on a corner, with wide pavements and modern stores and objects of interest in order observable in the distance. The drop curtain will not be commenced until most of the other work is finished. Mr. Smith will spare no money to have the opera house embellished in a manner keeping with the enterprise and growth of the city. The hall will be as good as the best in the state, exceeding the larger temples of music in Chicago.

Before purchasing elsewhere always call on C. B. Prescott in opera block, and inspect those magnificent Haines Bros' pianos. They are standard instruments and need only to be seen to be appreciated.

No. 28, East Main Street.

MRS. K. EINSTEIN.

June 5, 1883—d&wtf

STRUCK BY LIGHTNING.

A Little Girl Killed in a Dwelling House in Maroa.

Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock a heavy rain cloud passed over Maroa, and lightning struck the chimney of Pat Welch's tenement house occupied by the Widow Griffin and family. Mrs. Griffin's daughter Maud, aged 13 years, was standing in front of a mirror near the chimney when the bolt struck the house. She was instantly killed, the fluid striking the left side of her head and passing down her body, and tearing her left shoe. The shock was felt by several persons living near by, and some alarm was naturally manifested. The deceased was a bright and intelligent girl and had many friends in Maroa. The chimney was shattered but no damage was done to the frame.

OTHER PARTICULARS.

The Anglo-American circus and manager—"four shows in one," say the bill—arrived in Decatur this morning on a special train from Mattoon, and this forenoon a very creditable street parade was made. Quite number of fine horses were shown, also open cages of animals with keepers inside, two noisy bands, cancan, contraband singers, and lastly a steam caique, which was followed by the irrepressible small boys. The streets were thronged with people on the line of march, and after the parade many went to the show grounds, off Durfee and Water sts., to witness the promised free exhibition—a lady walking the wire to the top of the pavilion. There was a good-sized audience present to witness the performance this afternoon. The programme will be changed for the exhibition to-night.

Under Arrest.

At the May term of the Logan county circuit court, Capt. D. H. Harts, prohibition candidate for congress in this district in 1882, recovered a judgment of \$50 against one Ezekiel Johnson on a contract to pay him for obtaining a pension for his brother, David Johnson. Last week Ezekiel Johnson went to Springfield and had Harts indicted for taking a greater pension fee than is allowed by law. Harts went to Springfield Saturday, and was held in his own recognition to appear July 10 for trial. Harts received but \$10 from the pensioner, and as the contract for the remainder was with a third party, it is claimed that he is not liable under the pension law, and the proceedings at Springfield are thought to partake of the nature of a persecution. This is a peculiar case, and will doubtless bother a jury when the case comes up for investigation.

The Body Found.

The body of Albert La Flemm, aged 9 years, who was drowned near the water works dam about 4 o'clock on the evening of July 4th, was found last evening at 6 o'clock 450 yards below the dam. The body was first discovered near the centre of the Sangamon by Mr. Gardner Bills after about 17 men absent had passed down the stream searching with poles and hooks for the lifeless body. Mr. Bills called to the men to come back. They did so, and Mr. Thomas Entler took the body out of the water. It was not discolored or swollen, having been under water since Wednesday. It was placed in charge of Coroner Bendum and removed to the residence of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. La Flemm, on South Franklin street. The funeral occurred this forenoon at 10 o'clock, quite a large number of friends being present.

THE INQUIRY.

An inquest was held last evening by Coroner Bendum. The witnesses of the drowning examined were Otto Wills and A. A. Bishop, and B. G. Bills who first discovered the body. The following verdict was returned by the jury:

We, the undersigned jurors, sworn to inquire of the death of Albert La Flemm, on oath do find that he came to his death by accidental drowning in the Sangamon river, in the county of Macon and state of Illinois, between the hours of three and four o'clock, on the fourth day of July, A. D. 1883.

I. B. ALBERT, Foreman. L. W. MURPHREY. L. W. WOLF. C. H. KELLEY. G. W. YOUNG. A. SCOTT.

Decatur, Ill., July 5, 1883.

The John D. Gillett Live Stock Company.

Articles of association have just been taken out at Springfield incorporating the above named company, with a capital of \$500,000. The following are members of the company: J. D. Gillett, of Elkhart, (father of Mrs. R. J. Ogleby); R. F. Funk, L. Funk, A. B. Hoblit, F. M. Funk, Jacob Funk, of Bloomington; Dennis Kenyon and Andrew Turner, of McLean; I. N. Hoblit, of Minnesota, and C. E. Cummings, of Chicago. These gentlemen will control the majority of the stock and run the business. It is their intention to send a committee to New Mexico and the west in a week or two on a prospecting tour, which committee will either buy out a ranch or a location and proceed to business. There is quite a fever just now in the western cattle trade. A great many foreign companies have been formed, and there is a large amount also of American capital engaged in it. The profits in most cases have been excessive. Just now cattle are high, but we see no reason why a well conducted ranch will not pay well.—*Bloomington Pantagraph*.

A Committee.

Geo. C. Holt met the stockholders of the Decatur Creamery Company yesterday afternoon at the office of J. A. Brown. It was a conference gathering, the object of which was to fix upon a suitable point near the city to erect the creamery buildings. Messrs. Chua, L. Griswold, Claus, P. Thatcher and J. A. Brown were appointed to select a location and report as soon as possible. It is the purpose of the company to have the creamery in successful operation not later than September.

Election of Officers.

The Cigar Makers' Union, No. 20, held a meeting last night at which officers were elected for the ensuing six months as follows:

President—L. W. Fribourg. Vice-President—Charles Fasso. Financial Secretary—J. E. Stevens. Cor. and Rec. Sec'y.—E. B. Taylor. Treasurer—Frank Morelock. Sergeant at arms—J. B. Swartz. Executive board—P. H. Haubricht, Frank Morelock and W. L. Fribourg.

The Weather.

Hot, rainy and cloudy in Decatur today, thermometer at 83 in the shade. At 9:30 a. m. it was cloudy in Chicago, thermometer at 80; at St. Paul, raining, 69; at Omaha, cloudy, 74.

TO-DAY John Irwin, the clothier, could not listen to the cries of children for water unmoved. He procured a barrel, filled the same with ice, and made everybody happy by supplying them with cool water.

NEW Tea and Coffee Store.

A week from to-morrow a branch retail store of Bann's Tea and Coffee Company will be established in Peacock & Burrows' store room, south side new square, and will be under the management of Mr. Gus Ahrens, who will be assisted by his brother. Mr. Ahrens will carry a full line of the very finest teas and coffee, and will supply Decatur people with material for delicious beverages in quantities to suit, all ready packed and ground.

The headquarters of the company are in New York and Chicago. They have 51 branch houses, which are represented as doing a flourishing business. Mr. Ahrens has leased the P. & B. room for a term of three years, and is now engaged in having it fitted up for business. He is an energetic young man, and will doubtless make a success of his enterprise.

The county board equalizing committee, Supervisors VanLeer, Ward, Funk, Hoyt and Freeman, met to-day at the court house for the purpose of equalizing the tax assessments made in the 17 townships. Supervisor VanLeer is endeavoring to ascertain the exact number of acres of land in the county so that the committee may know how to act. Last year the assessment showed that many thousand acres had been lost, compared with the count of 1881.

Attention, Hookies.

Regular meeting this (Friday) evening at 7:30 p.

